



## **Ontario Women's Lacrosse Council**

**MINUTES TO:** OWL Club Contacts  
**FROM:** 2007 OWL Executive  
**DATE:** 16<sup>th</sup> November 2007  
**RE:** 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2007 AGM Minutes

### **Attendance:**

#### **Member Clubs**

Geoff Elmer – Burlington  
Paul Gilkinson - Brampton  
Fred Blowes – Kawartha  
Pat Bolland – Mississauga  
Mena Briscoe – Orangeville  
April Hart – Orangeville  
John Mayo – Orillia  
Barb Boyes - Oshawa  
Judy Uza – Oshawa  
Matt Uza - Oshawa  
Lyndsay Brooks - Owen Sound  
Terry Johnston – St Catharine's  
????? - Six Nations  
Todd Pepper – Toronto  
Jim Calder – Toronto Stars  
Larry McCallum – Toronto Stars

#### **OWL Executive**

Lyndsay Brooks  
Roxanne Curtis  
Neha Patel  
Todd Pepper  
Gordon Robertson  
Stephen Taylor  
Lynn Thomas

#### **Individual Members**

Julie Norton

#### **Apologies**

Lynn Orth – Kitchener Waterloo

### **Missing**

Guelph

#### **1. Introduction & Overview (L. Thomas)**

- Review of Voting Procedure
  - Each club has one vote
  - Done by show of hand unless secret ballot requested
  - 50% for nominations, secret ballot 30% to approve amendments
- Acceptance 2006 AGM minutes as amended
  - Amendment: Larry, not Terry under observer

- Motion by J. Uza
- Second by G. Robertson
  
- Opening Remarks
  - Distribution of Year End Reports
    - R. Curtis – Technical Director
      - Not many coaches who attending coaching clinics have submitted workbooks
      - To coach next year, you must submit the workbooks
      - 2008 Summer games year. Clubs must have a level 2 intro clinic on the bench to compete in the Ontario Summer Games – coaches have attended the clinic and are in the process of completing the video
    - G. Robertson – Director of Competitions
      - Evident towards the end of the seasons that we are ready for tiering in the league at all levels
    - T. Pepper - Development
      - Successful year
    - Motion to accept: P. Bolland
    - Second: J. Uza

## **2. OWL Financial Statement (G. Robertson)**

- Review of Budget
  - Planned to break even and ended with a surplus of \$10,000
  - Combined surplus with last year is just under \$24,000
  - Question: Thought to create a development budget with surplus? P. Gilkinson
  - Motion to accept Financial statement: P. Gilkinson
  - Second: T. Johnston

## **3. OWL Regulations & League By-Laws Amendments (L. Thomas)**

- 2/3 majority of members present
- Amendments WR8.02 and WBL1.02 submitted by umpire official (D. Misener) will not be reviewed today. They must be submitted through a club in good standing to submit an amendment
- Appendices will be reviewed first (no vote required):

- Appendix 2 – duties of counsel
  - 2 submitted: OWL executive and L. Orth. Executive proposal created by small committee. Executive will look through L. Orth proposal and add any relevant parts to its own proposal before implementing
- Appendix 3 – new deadline for scheduling requirements – last date to enter a team’s availability
- Appendix 4 – team colour changes must let OWL know so it can be changed accordingly – By-Law WBL 6.01 – submitted prior to the beginning of the season
  - S. Taylor: may need to alter next year for a date so teams can order uniforms earlier – perhaps May 1 to avoid conflicts
- Appendix 5: Provincial Championships Schedule. P. Gilkinson: Alter template
  - B. Boyes: Asking for clarification on change
  - P. Gilkinson: If we deviate from template then it’s the competitions committee responsibility – i.e. Competitions committee has right to change the template,
  - S Taylor: maybe add: BUT must be outlined at the beginning of the season what structure will be used so all clubs are aware of the structure
- Accepted Amendments (OWL 2008 Rules and Regulations to be published early in 2008)
  - WBL3.03.3: P. Bolland seconded J. Norton
  - WBL 4.03-05: Level of Play: T. Pepper, seconded: G. Robertson
    - Amendment: G. Robertson – change level of play to Registration Qualifications
    - Alter #1 – Players must be 19 years of age or older at any time....
    - Add #5 – For centers with no applicable lower level team for a particular division, exceptions will apply. See WBL 5.02.1
    - Motion to accept amend to amendment: P. Bolland
    - Amendment to Amendment: All members must be registered prior to participation in league play. G. Robertson Seconded P. Gilkinson
  - WBL 5.02 L. Thomas, Seconded: P. Bolland
  - Last line of number 4 – amendment, exclude to in last sentence.
  - WBL 5.03.2&7.01f, S. Taylor, seconded G. Robertson
  - WBL 5.04.7a and 5.03.4 S. Taylor, seconded G. Robertson

- WBL 7.01 S. Taylor, seconded G. Robertson
- WBL 10 S. Taylor, seconded: P. Bolland
  - S. Taylor: Could take awards out now and then over the course of the year develop a volunteering committee to develop a proper method for giving out awards and then can be re-submitted as a by-law next year.
- WBL 11.06 (Fees) S. Taylor, seconded: L. Brooks
- WBL 11.06 (Payments) S. Taylor, seconded: L. Brooks
- WBL 7.01f S. Taylor, seconded: N. Patel
- WBL 7.01.02 S. Taylor, seconded: L. Brooks
  - Amended Amendment: Take out mesh (take out first 5 words of 2d) – must display legal depth – L. Brooks, seconded: A. Hart
- WR 8.02 L. Thomas, seconded: N. Patel
- WBL 9.06 S. Taylor, seconded: P. Bolland
- WBL 4.06 D. Cruickshank, seconded: N. Patel
  - Amendment to remove and senior from #1 and and/or senior from #4: N. Patel, second: T. Pepper
  - Amendment to remove #5 P. Gilkinson: Second: N. Patel
- WBL 7.06 P. Bolland, seconded: Barb Boyes
- Unbalanced schedule difficult to balance in terms of end of season
- Difficult to motivate lower ranked teams
- Proposal split division in two double games then playoff game bottom 2 v top 2 from B
- Allows more opportunity to travel and develop squads away from league
- G. Robertson: not wanting every weekend

#### **4. OWL Council Executive Election (L. Thomas)**

- All amendments to take effect immediately (10:55pm) motion: G. Robertson, Second: P. Bolland
- Reference 8.02.4

#### **2007-09 Executive Jobs**

- Commissioner – L. Thomas
- Director of Communications – L. Brooks

- Director of Competitions 2007-09 Nominated P. Gilkinson by N. Patel, seconded by L. Brooks — Declined by P. Gilkinson
- Director of Officiating - S. Taylor
- Director at Large 2007-09 Nominated J. Uza

by L. Brooks, second by N. Patel – Declined by J. Uza

*N.B. Wed 14<sup>th</sup> October J. Uza accepted the Executives invitation to take up this two year post*

### **2007-08 Executive Jobs**

- Director of Administration – J. Norton appointed
- Director of Development – T. Pepper
- Director of Finance - G. Robertson
- Director of Special Events – A. Hart

nominated by R. Curtis, seconded: L. Brooks – Accepted by A. Hart

- Technical Director – R. Curtis

### **5. New Business (L. Thomas)**

- Lacrosse Hall of Fame not been updated for Women's since it opened in 1997. Curator would like help in updating – brought forth by P. Gilkinson
- M. Briscoe: call for one shirt from each club to add to museum
- S. Taylor – Kerri Hardell getting nominated into Canadian Sports Hall of Fame
- S. Taylor - G. Cummings being nominated into the US Hall of Fame

### **6. Meeting Adjournment (L. Thomas)**

- Motion to Adjourn: P. Gilkinson
- Second: L. Brooks